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DIRECTOR, NRO STAFF:

Responsible to the DNRO/DDNRO for all activities of the NRO Staff. Acts for the DNRO/DDNRO in their absence (this authority cannot be further delegated in the NRO Staff).

EXECUTIVE OFFICER:

Responsible for the establishment of administrative ^{pr}actices and procedures and the provision of administrative services to the NRO Staff. Responsible for NRO Staff manpower and personnel actions. Assists the Director, SAFSP, in the acquisition and/or control of necessary USAF manpower resources.

NRO review(s) completed.

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ASSISTANT FOR SECURITY:

The Assistant for Security is the principal NRO Staff officer responsible for insuring that the security policies established by the DCI for the protection of sources and methods is properly implemented. Formulates for DNRO approval practices and procedures consistent with that policy. He is the principal NRO Staff member on all matters involving the investigative and security facilities of the DoD, Military Departments, CIA, and NRO Program Directors as required. He provides Secretariat services for the Inter-Agency Contingency Planning Committee and serves as the NRO member of the ICPC Working Group.

ASSISTANT FOR COMMUNICATIONS:

Plans and programs DoD communications services to meet NRO requirements, as required and directed. In carrying out these duties, the Assistant for Communications coordinates closely with Hq USAF, Hq AFCS, major USAF commands, and other Departments, as appropriate, to arrange leasing or procurement of circuits and equipment, and the provision of manpower authorizations and properly trained/cleared personnel to operate and maintain NRO Communications facilities. Coordinates the

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installation and utilization of CIA communications services
and facilities which are employed solely or primarily for
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DEPUTY FOR OPERATIONS:

The principal function of the Deputy for Operations is to operate and direct (as Chief) the activities of the NRO Satellite Operations Center (SOC). The SOC is responsible for translating USIB intelligence requirements into launch schedules, orbit parameters, and on-orbit target programs

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[redacted] During the course of each mission, the SOC selects [redacted]

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[redacted] target options on the basis of weather and/or intelligence factors and the tasking of SIGINT systems on the basis of system status and/or intelligence factors. The SOC is the NRO Staff focal point for day-to-day liaison with the COMOR to insure close correlation between intelligence requirements and satellite operations.

The Deputy for Operations also maintains current knowledge of the status and capabilities of all operational aircraft and satellite systems and closely associated support systems (such as the satellite launch, tracking, and recovery forces) in the NRP. He assists NRP Program Directors, as required, in obtaining DoD (principally, Air Force) support for NRO satellite and aircraft operations.

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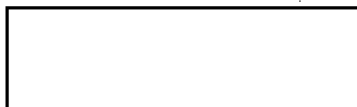
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The Deputy for Operations monitors and assists, as
necessary, the close coordination of NRP aircraft and drone
programs (principally, CIA) and associated DoD programs
(principally, the Joint Reconnaissance Center of the JCS).

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DEPUTY FOR RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT:

The Deputy for Research & Development is the chief technical advisor to the DNRO/DDNRO on all research and development matters within the NRP. He recommends a coordinated program of research, technology, study, and development of components and systems to assure fulfillment of present and projected technical requirements within the NRP.

The Deputy for Research & Development monitors all research, technology, study, and development programs conducted by NRP Program Directors and recommends changes as appropriate. He maintains knowledge of appropriate R&D projects outside the NRP which might have application to technical requirements of the NRP.

The Deputy for R&D, assisted by the Deputies for Operations and Plans, Policy, and Resources, as appropriate, maintains knowledge and status of system procurement and production for the NRP.

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DEPUTY FOR PLANS, POLICY, AND RESOURCES:

This staff element is responsible for all general planning and policy matters of concern to the NRO (except for security policy established by the DCI for the protection of sources and methods). It is the focal point for all Congressional and Executive Department liaison on matters of concern to the NRO (this responsibility does not impinge upon the normal liaison which Program Directors have in carrying out their NRP responsibilities).

This staff element handles public information matters of concern to the NRO (consistent with security policy established by the DCI).

Formulates and monitors, in conjunction with the NRO Comptroller, for the DNRO the total NRP program in a format responsive to the desires of higher review and/or approval authority.

Directs the preparation, collation and distribution of status and progress reports on the NRP.

Responsible staff element for film procurement, film processing, production and R&D associated therewith, and provides the Chairman and secretariat services for the NRP Film Coordinating Board.*

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* Modify this paragraph, as appropriate, if paragraph I-3 in Tab C is utilized in NRO Staff Mission Statement.
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, OSA

This is probably the final draft of NRO Staff functions. Could you please give me any comments by COB, Wednesday, March 9th. Please disregard any references to the film handling problem. This remains an unresolved issue.

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Assistant to the Director of
Reconnaissance, CIA

8 March 1966
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Remarks: Please review the attached draft of NRO Staff functions. We would be particularly interested in your comments on those functions which relate to your primary area of interest. However, do not limit yourself to this if you feel it appropriate to comment on other functions discussed in the draft. Please furnish your comments to me by 1600 today.			
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